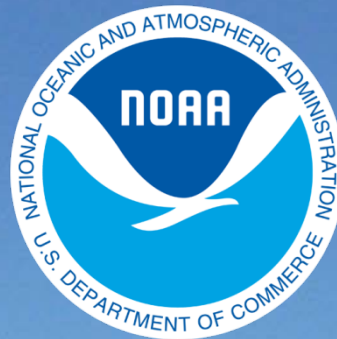


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## Kiska Harbor and Approaches

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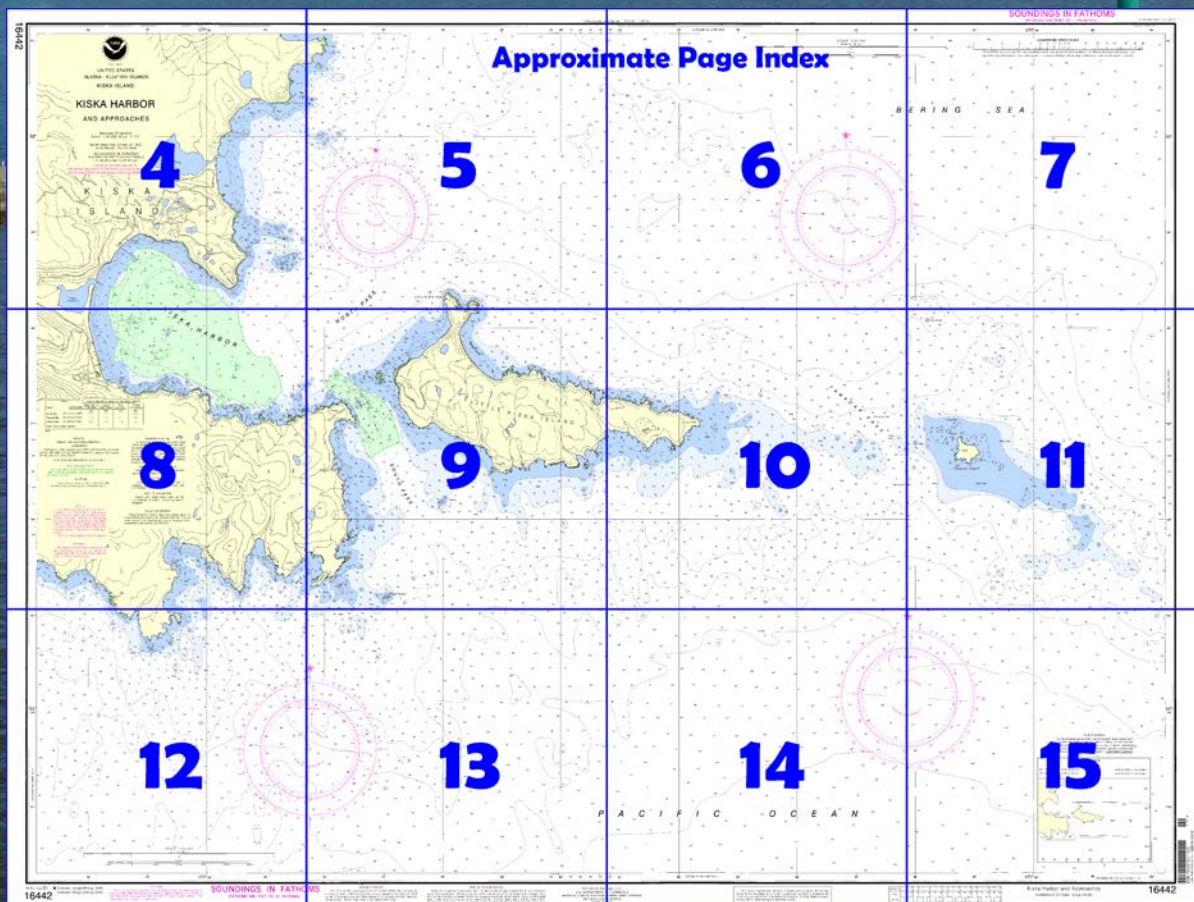


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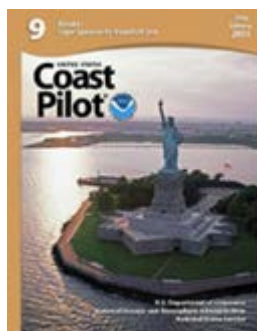
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#### (Selected Excerpts from Coast Pilot)

**Kiska Harbor**, midway along the E shore of Kiska Island, is formed by a small peninsula to the N which terminates at **North Head**, and a broad peninsula to the S which is separated from Little Kiska Island by South Pass; **South Head** is the NE point of the lower peninsula. The harbor proper is roughly circular with a 1.3-mile diameter, although anchoring depths extend an additional 0.5 mile to E. The NE and S sides are rocky cliffs; the entire W side of the

harbor is low and sandy except for several ridges that extend to the water's edge. A low valley opening out at about the middle of the W

shore extends well back into Kiska Island. A low ridge parallels the N shore at a distance of about 0.5 mile.

Depths do not exceed 17 fathoms inside a line between North and South Heads. The 10-fathom curve is 0.3 to 0.5 mile off the shores. Caution is necessary in anchoring to avoid fouling with the many wrecks and other obstructions in the harbor. The masts of one derelict show above water in 15 fathoms near the center of the harbor, and a 2¾-fathom obstruction is just inside the 10-fathom curve off the W shore.

**Anchorage** is recommended in the central part of the harbor in 13 fathoms 0.7 mile 185° from North Head. Shelter from NE to NW weather can be found in 15 fathoms 700 yards 150° from the outer end of the main wharf. The bottom is hard sand with fair holding qualities. The shortest **route** to Kiska Harbor from Seattle with the best visibility is via Unimak Pass and the Bering Sea. From San Francisco the shortest distance is via Chugul Pass and Asuksak Pass, 20 miles E of Adak Island, thence N of the Aleutian Islands to Kiska Harbor; however, a direct route through Amchitka Pass and Rat Island Pass is only a few miles farther. Oglala Pass can also be used for the approach from the S. Offshore dangers in the approach to Kiska Harbor are McArthur Reef and the 4-fathom rock 1.3 miles N of Tanadak Island.

A ship pier and a small-craft pier are on the N side of Kiska Harbor. The ship pier extends 500 yards out from the shore in a SE direction. In 1999, it was reported that most of the ship pier was in disrepair and that it was only usable by vessels drawing less than 15 feet. Also, only the shoreward 75 feet of the pier is usable to smaller vessels.

**Little Kiska Island**, 0.5 mile E of South Head on Kiska Island, is 3.2 miles long and 1 mile wide. The island is low and rocky, the highest point being 430 feet. The coasts in most places are fringed by covered and uncovered rocks; a group of islets or rocks extend about 700 yards from the W end of the island.

Anchorage with fair protection from the N can be found in 20 fathoms, irregular rocky bottom, S of the center of Little Kiska Island. The highest peak, with two knobs at the summit, should bear due N.

**South Pass**, between Kiska and Little Kiska Islands, is a narrow approach to Kiska Harbor from the SE. **Twin Rocks** is a group of islets on the W side of the S entrance. A rock that breaks in rough weather, 1.2 miles NE of Twin Rocks, is a danger to vessels approaching from the S.

A 100-yard wide channel with a swept depth of 24 feet is between a pinnacle covered 11 feet 230 yards NE of South Head and the near shore. E of this narrow channel, kelp patches show across South Pass to Little Kiska Island during slack water. Only light-draft vessels with local knowledge should use South Pass.

The current velocity is 4 knots in South Pass, the flood setting N and the ebb S. The ebb current is particularly strong S of the pass.

**Tanadak Island** is 2.7 miles E of Little Kiska Island and 8 miles W of Sea Lion Rock. Foul ground extends for more than 0.5 mile from the shores; irregular depths of less than 10 fathoms extend 4 miles SE of the island.

**Tanadak Pass**, between Tanadak and Little Kiska Islands, is 2.5 miles wide but is full of shoals with depths of 2 to 9 fathoms. A 225-yard-wide channel with a least depth of 12 fathoms is 0.6 mile W of a prominent 20-foot rock, the most W of those off Tanadak Island. A current velocity of 2.8 knots has been measured in the pass. Tanadak Pass is not recommended for deep-draft vessels.

**Caution.**—Heavy seasonal growth of kelp completely fills Tanadak Pass and surrounds Little Kiska Island.

**Pilotage, Kiska Harbor.**—Pilotage, except for certain exempted vessels, is compulsory for all vessels navigating the waters of the State of Alaska. Kiska Harbor is served by the Alaska Marine Pilots.

### U.S. Coast Guard Rescue Coordination Center

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## HEIGHTS

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For Symbols and Abbreviations see Chart No. 1

## AIDS TO NAVIGATION

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(World Geodetic System 1984)

**SOUNDINGS IN FATHOMS**  
(FATHOMS AND FEET TO ELEVEN FATHOMS)  
AT MEAN LOWER LOW WATER

## WARNING

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## NOTE A

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## POLLUTION REPORTS

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## AUTHORITIES

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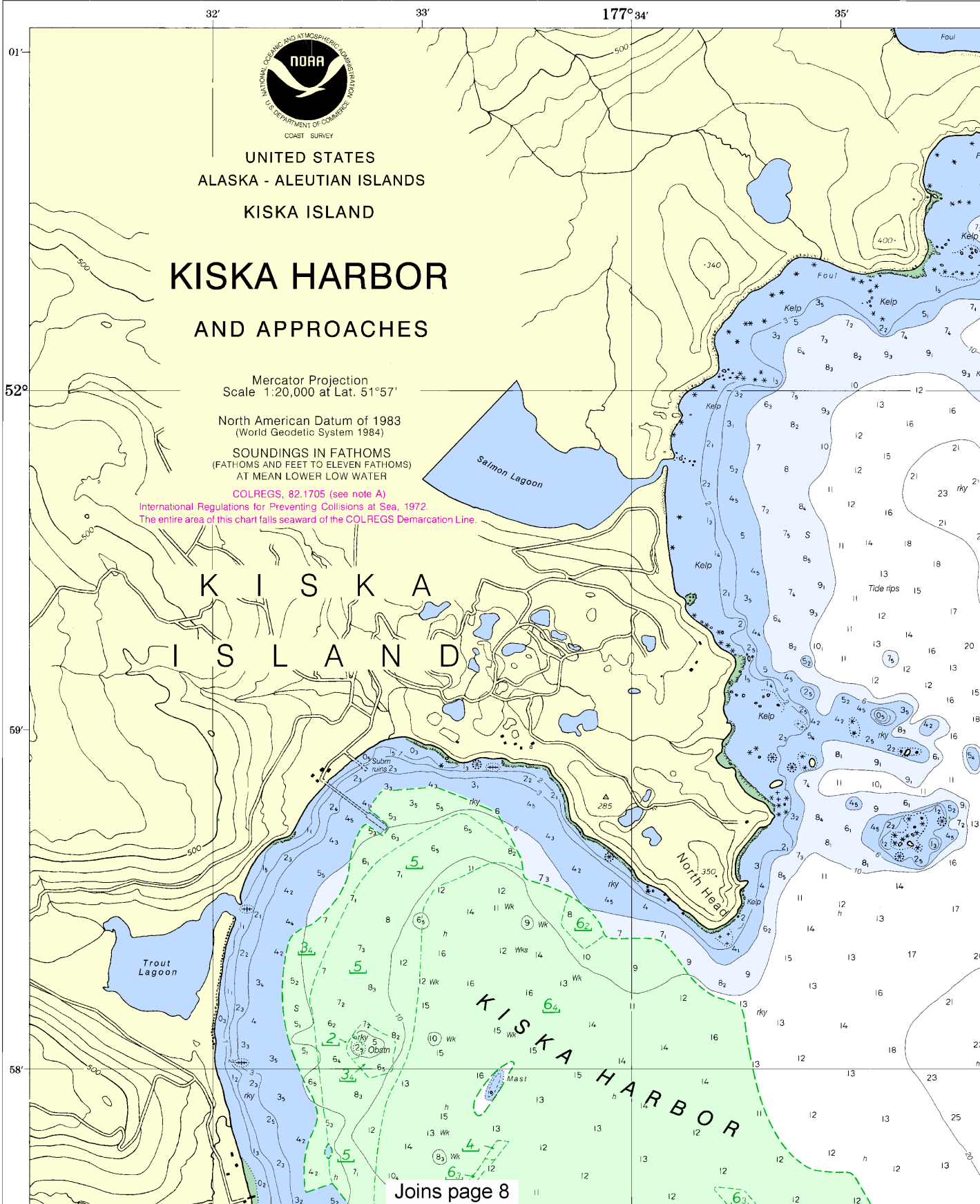
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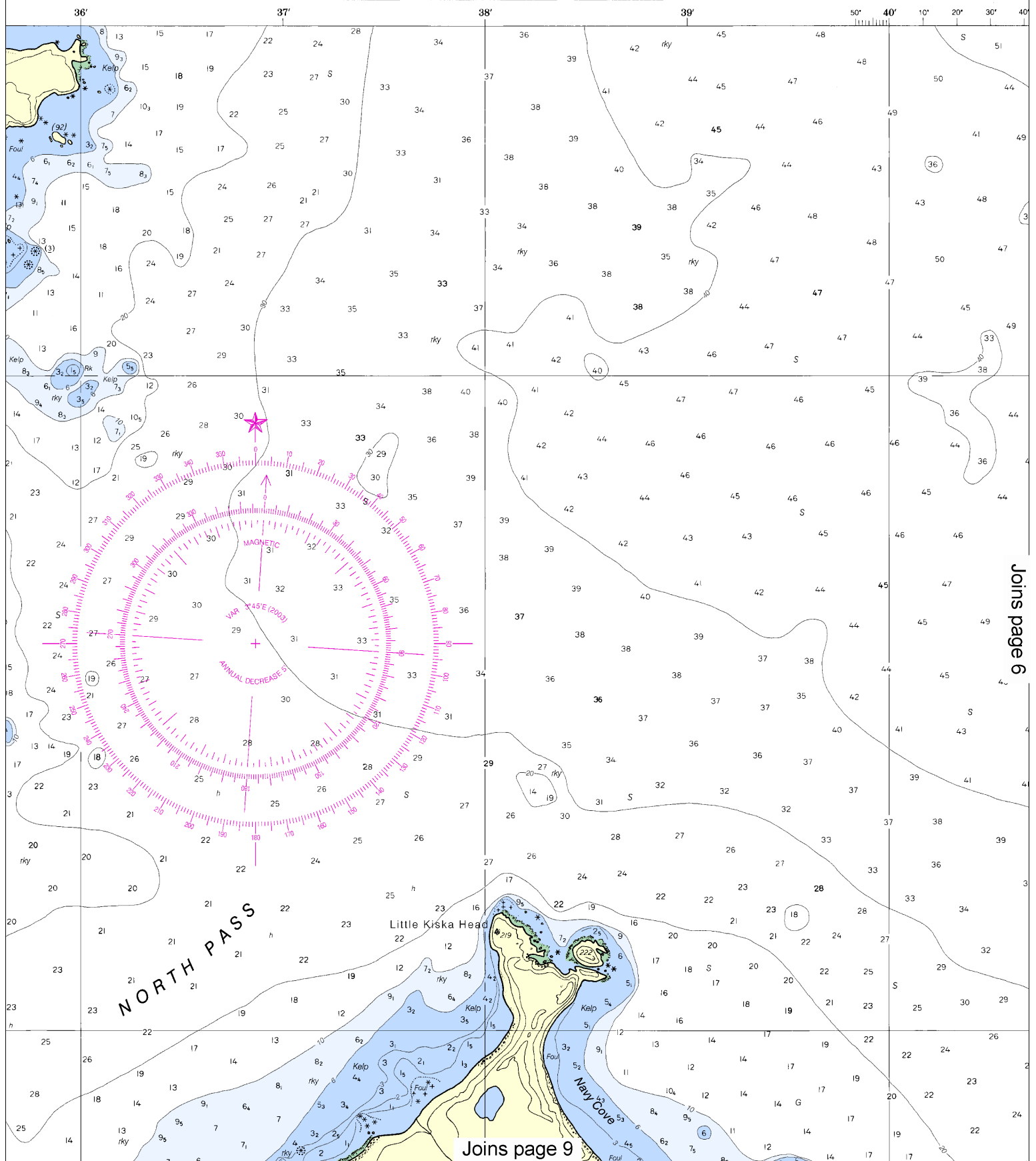
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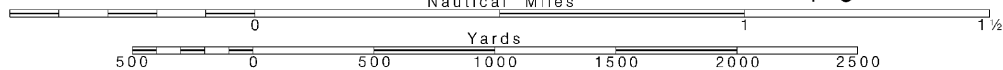
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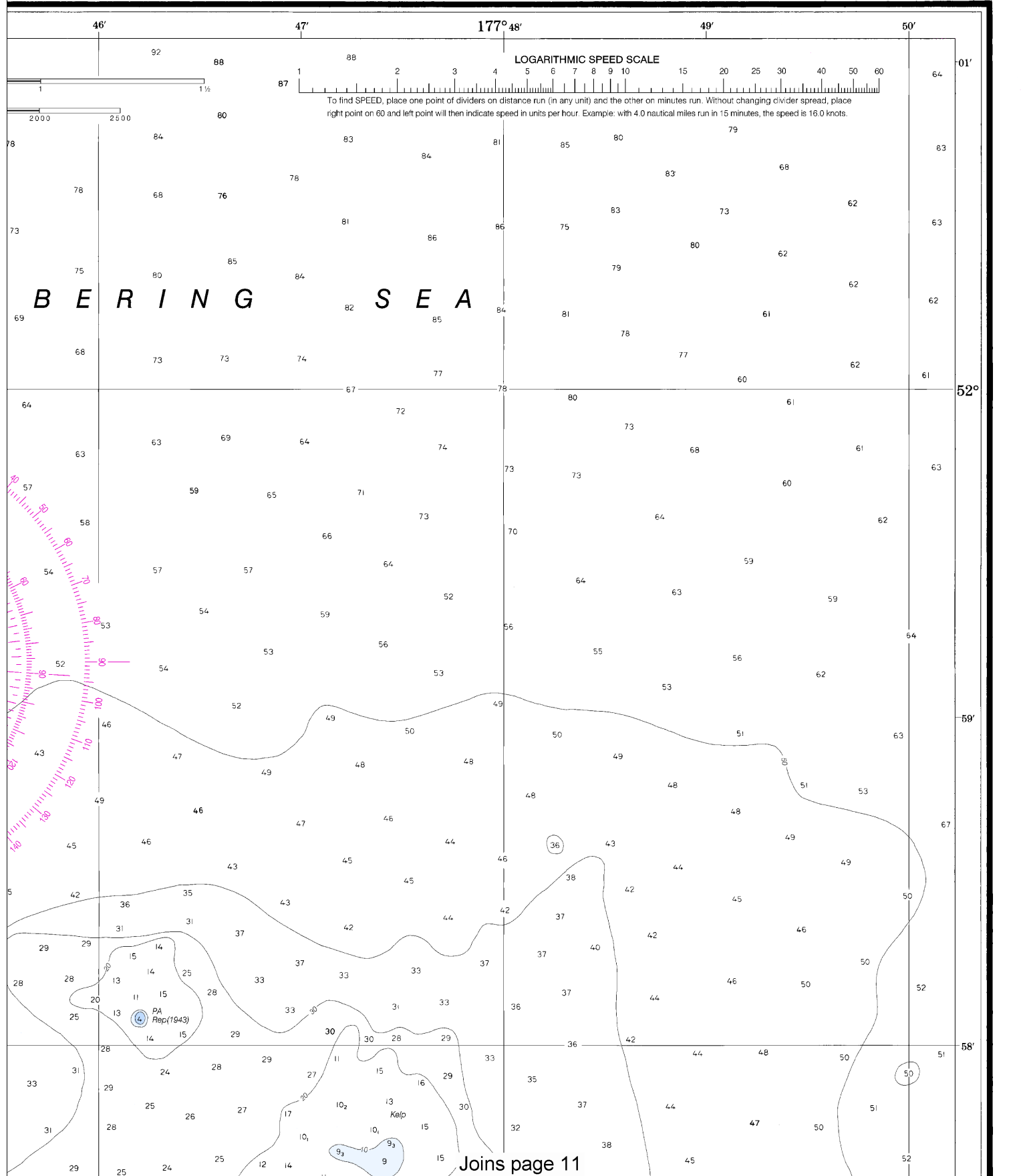
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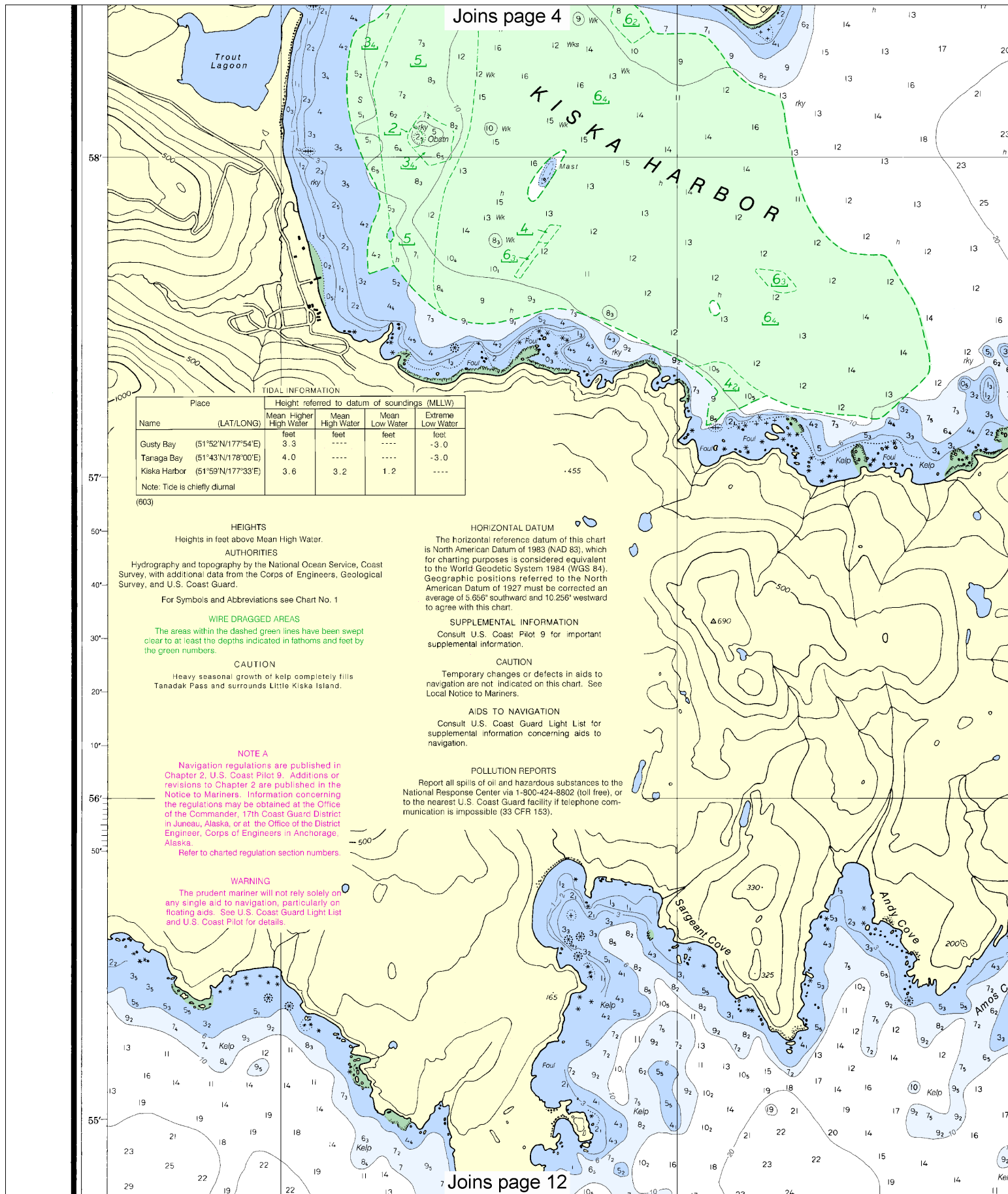
# SOUNDINGS IN FATHOMS

(FATHOMS AND FEET TO 11 FATHOMS)

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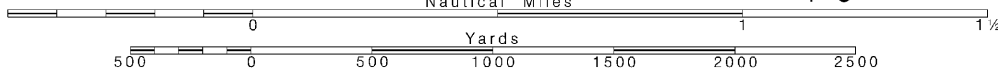
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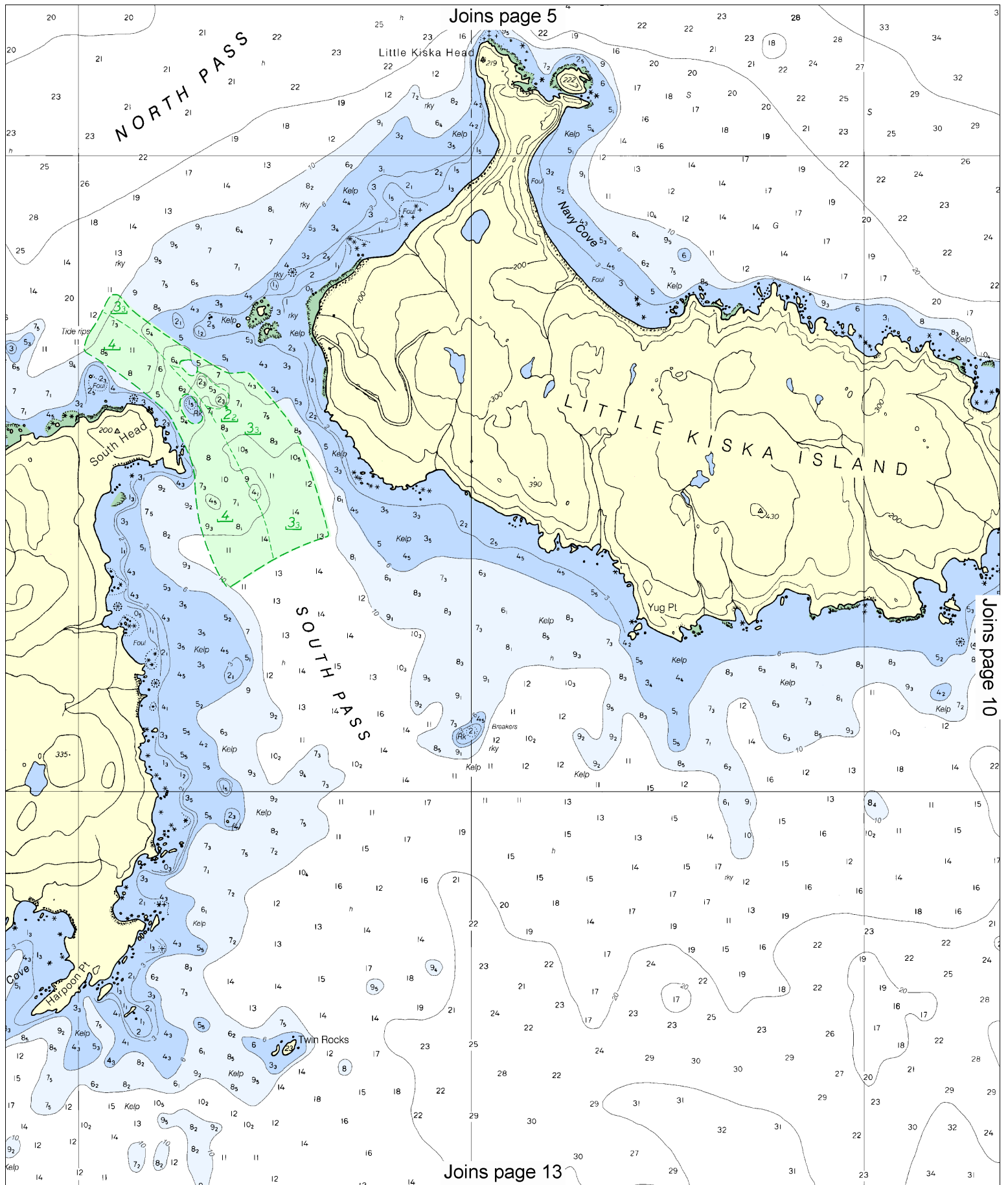
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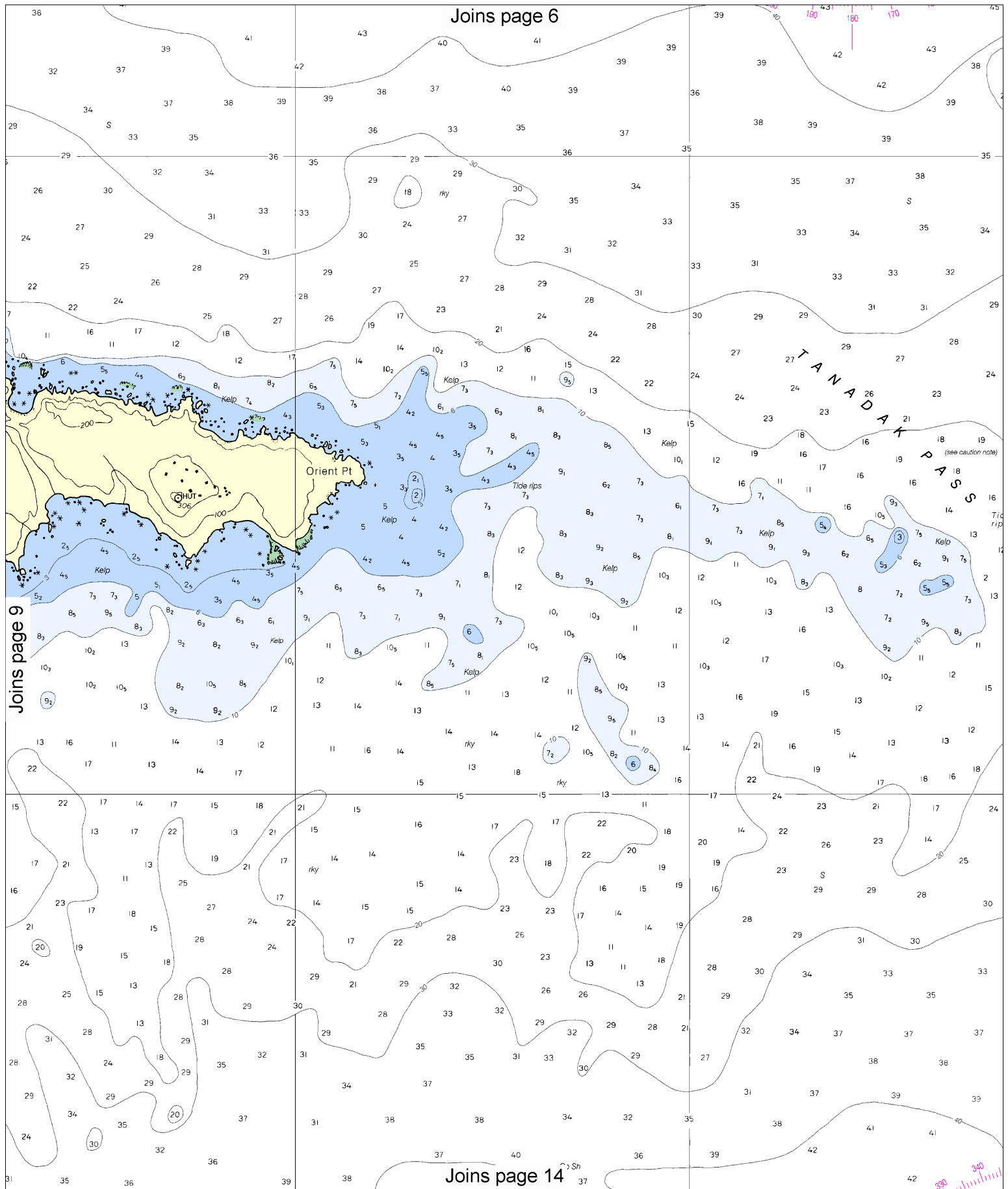


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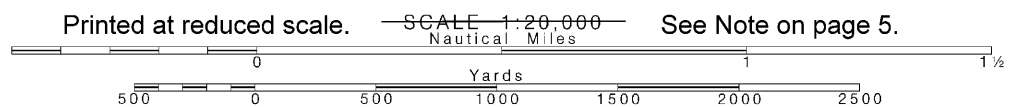




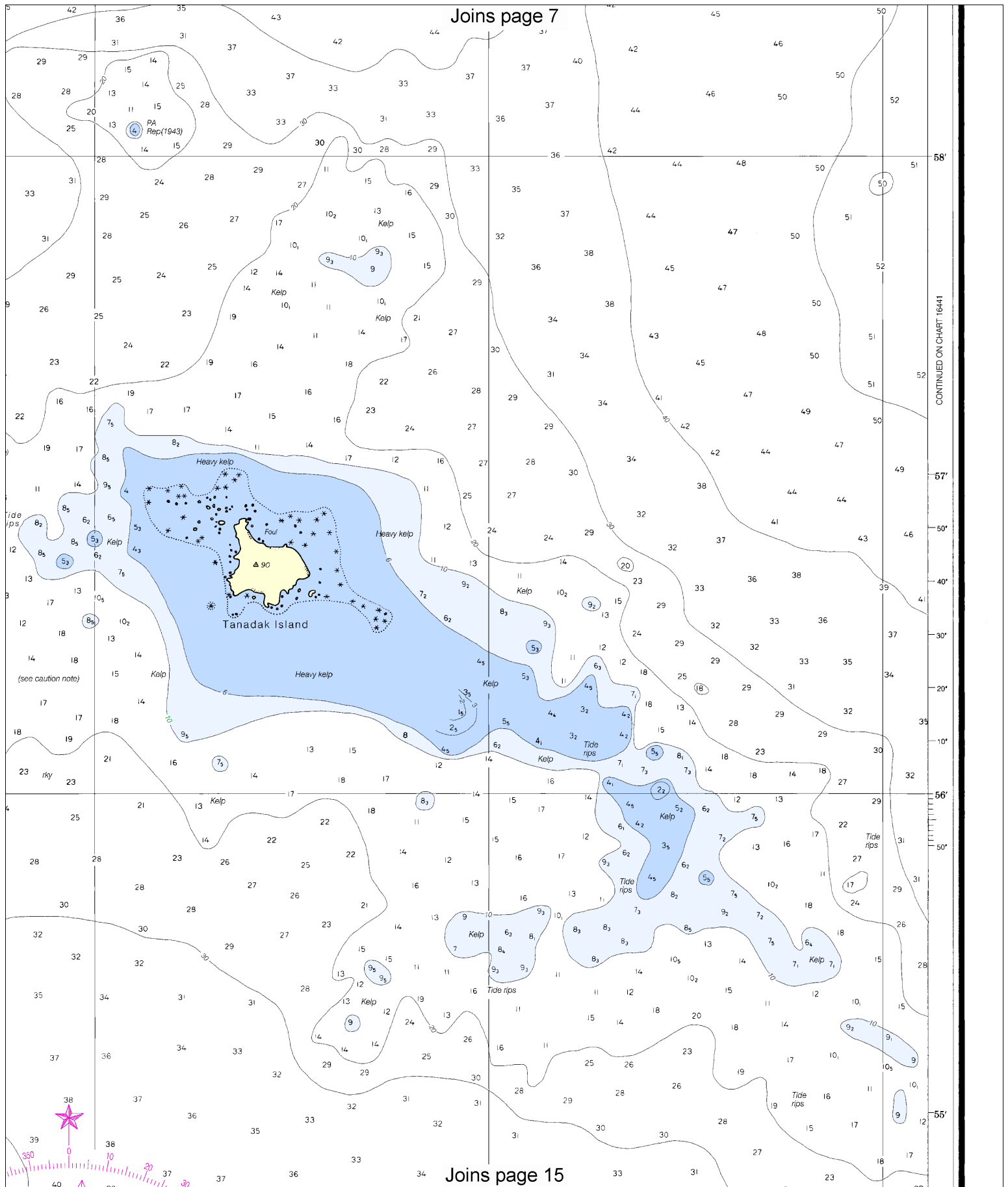


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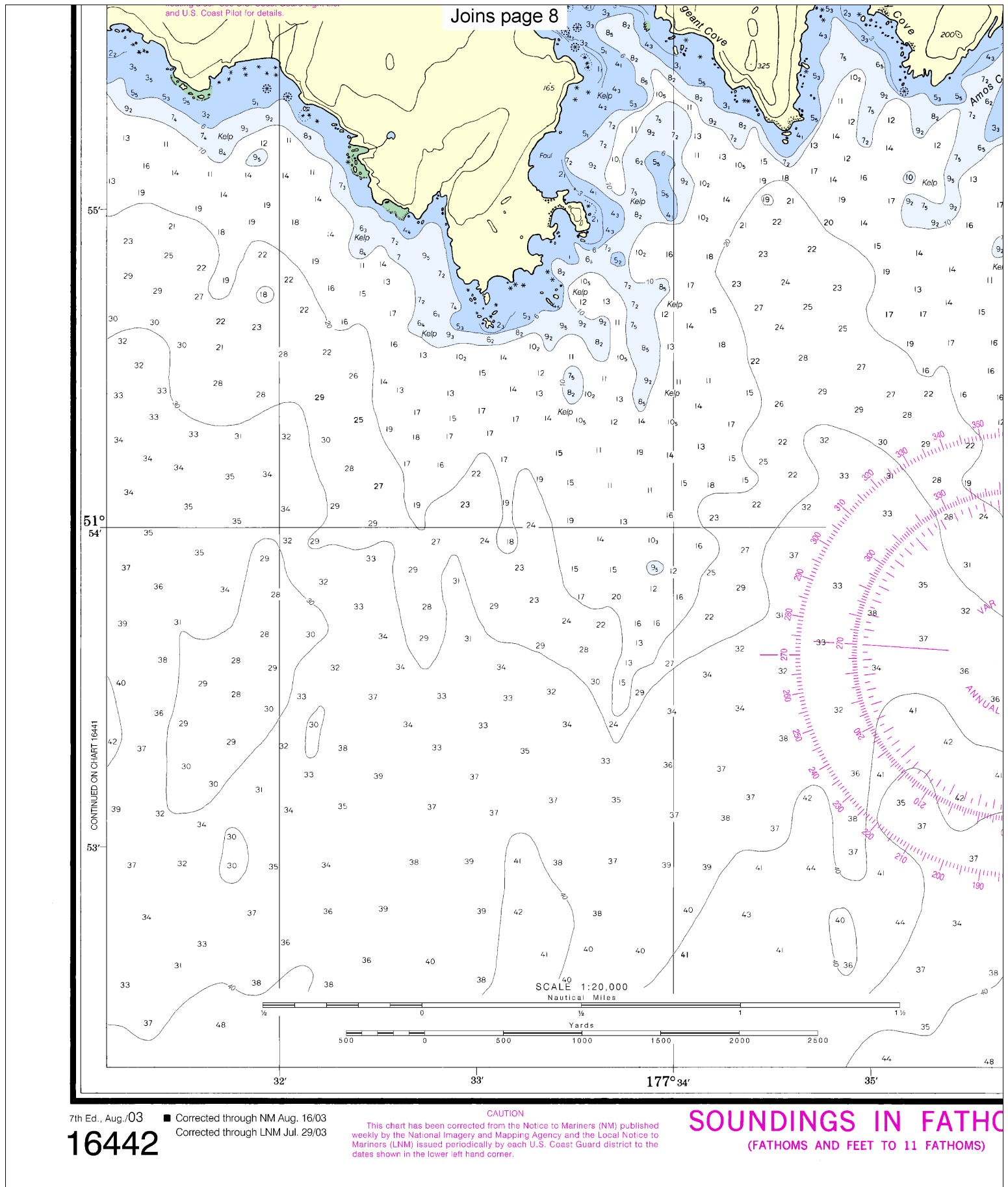


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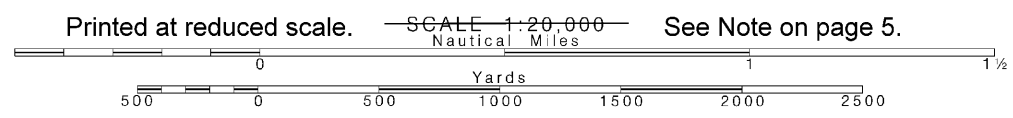
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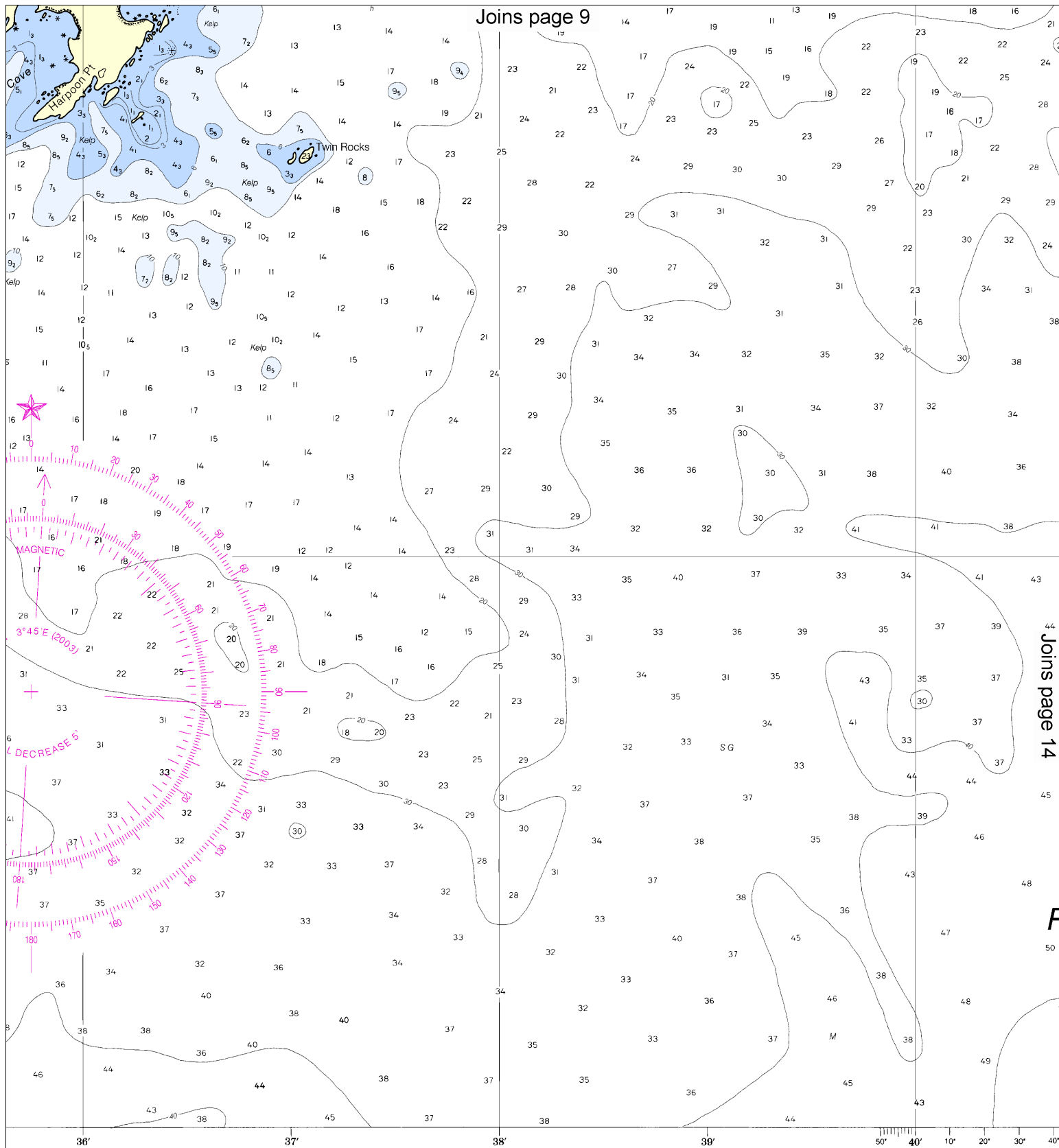


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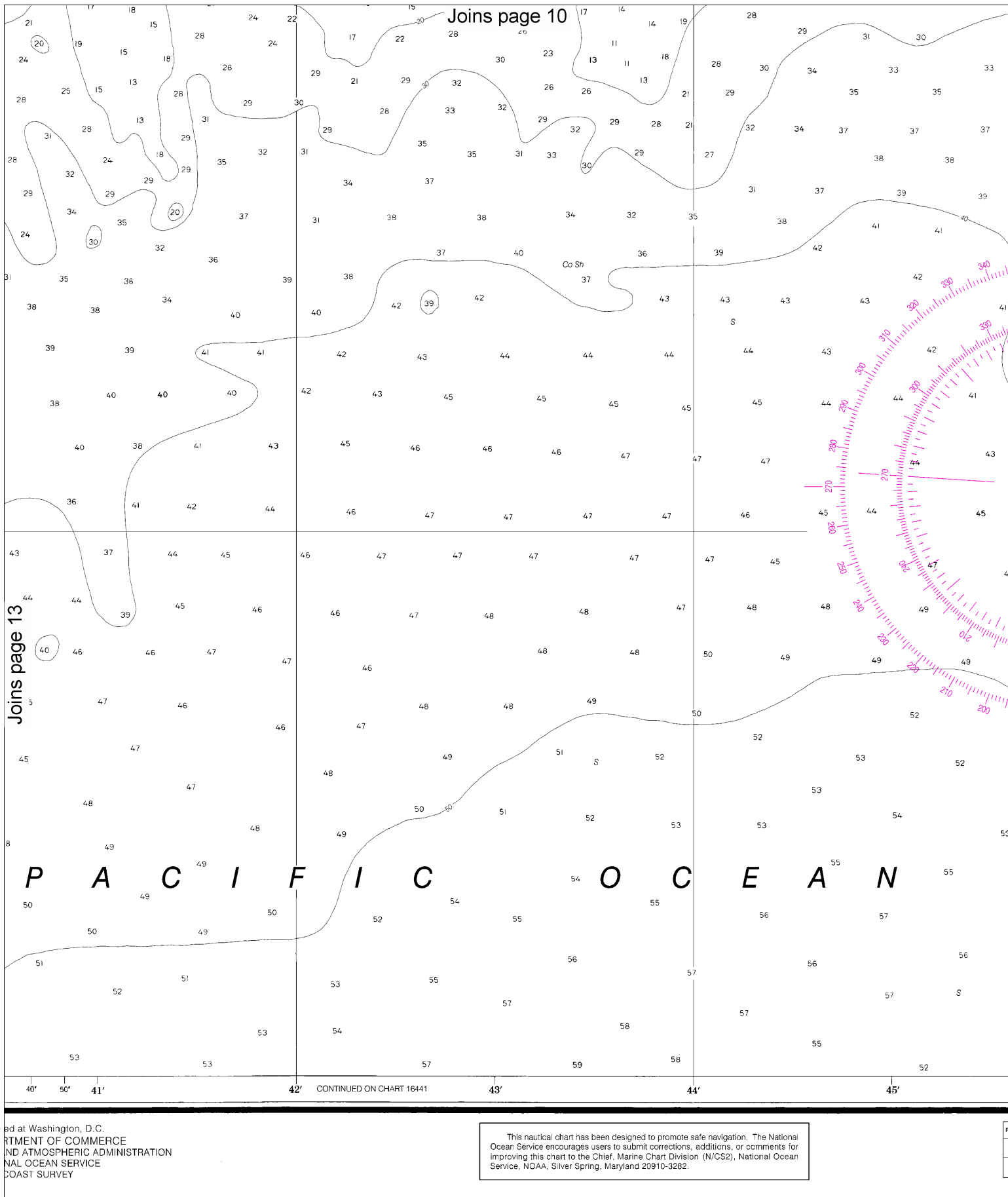
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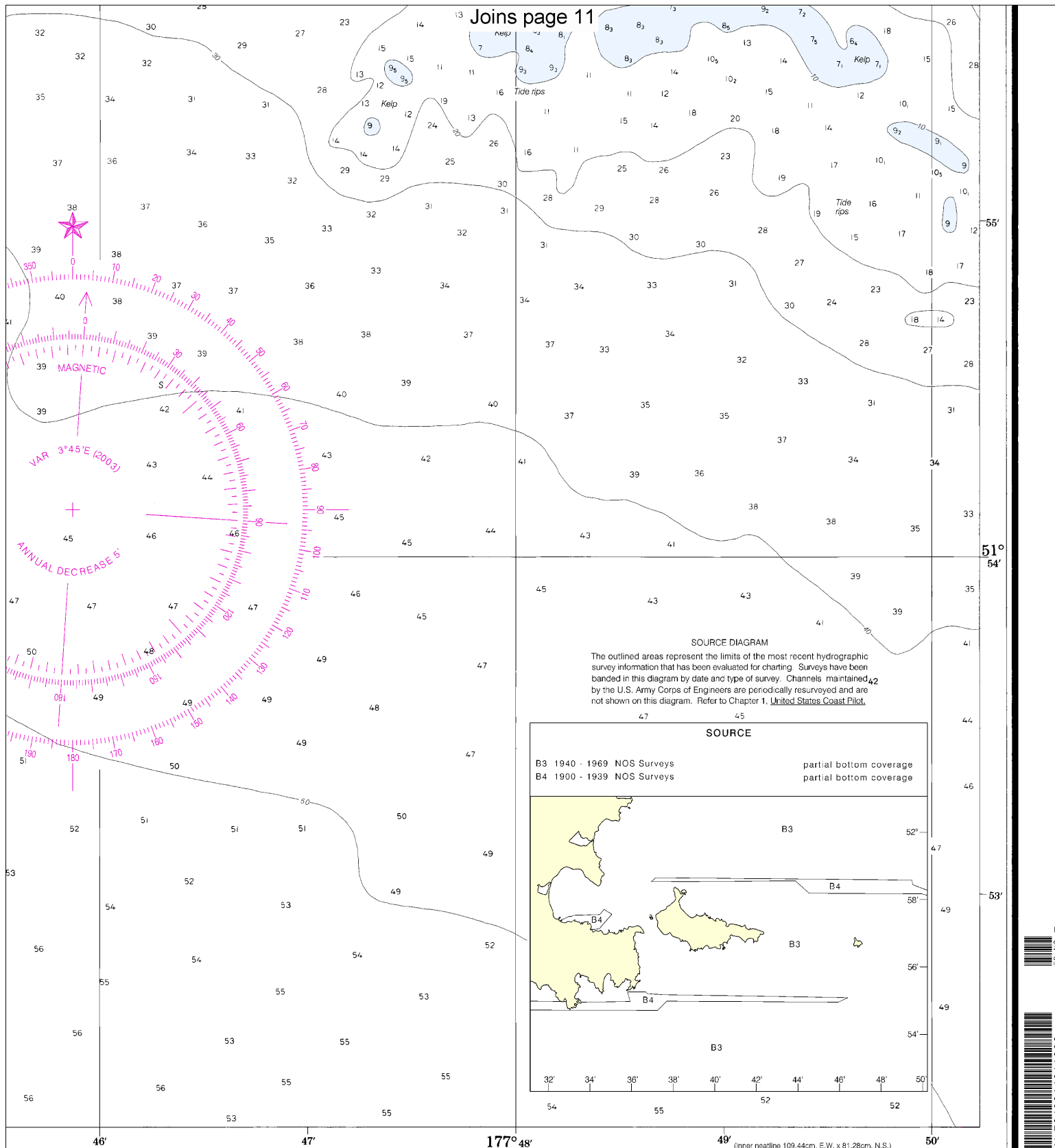
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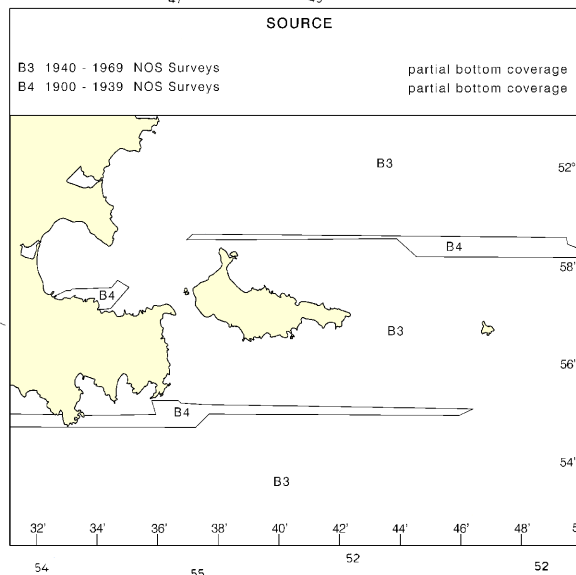
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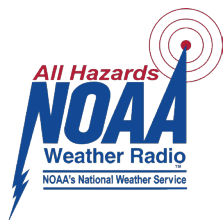
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